

CTF - KOA COMMANDER'S SITREP

TIME PERIOD ENDING: 272359 (Z) JULY 05

1. **COMMANDER'S SITREP:** TOTAL NUMBER OF PATROLS AND NUMBER OF JOINT PATROLS CONDUCTED WITH AFGHAN NATIONAL ARMY (ANA), AFGHAN NATIONAL POLICE (ANP), AFGHAN SECURITY FORCES (ASF), AND AFGHAN BORDER POLICE (ABP).

| | ECHO | FOX | GOLF | WEAPONS | H&S | TOTAL |
|---------|------|-----|------|---------|-----|-------|
| US ONLY | 1 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 7 |
| W/ANA | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 5 |
| W/ANP | 0 | 0 | 7 | 6 | 0 | 13 |
| W/ASF | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| W/AMF | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| TOTAL | 4 | 1 | 8 | 11 | 2 | 27 |

2. **ENEMY ATTACKS ON ANA, ANP, AND ASF PERSONNEL, GOVERNMENT LEADERS AND KEY INFRASTRUCTURE:** N/A.

3. **CURRENT, ONGOING, AND PROJECTED OPERATIONS:** THE BATTALION CONTINUES TO FOCUS OPERATIONS IN AREAS IDENTIFIED AS SECURITY CONCERNS IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION THUNDER FREEDOM AND OPERATION DETERMINED THUNDER RESOLVE. THE BATTALION ALSO HAS ONGOING OPERATIONS IN THE KORENGAL AND PECH VALLEYS, DAWLET SHAH AND ALISHANG VALLEYS. CTF KOA FORCES CONTINUE PATROLLING OPERATIONS IN THE KORENGAL VALLEY, KUNAR PROVINCE ISO OPERATION RED WINGS II. CTF KOA HAS SHIFTED ITS PLANNING FOCUS TO THE UPCOMING ELECTION AND A BATTALION (-) SIZE OPERATION IN THE KUNAR PROVINCE.

H&S CO: CONDUCTED PERIMETER SECURITY, WHILE EXECUTING A VCP ON HWY 1. CONCLUDED THEIR RECONNAISSANCE PATROLS IOT DETERMINE PLACEMENT OF THE MEDCAP AND DECONFLICTION WITH THE ELDERS.

ECHO CO: 2ND PLATOON CONTINUED PATROL BASE OPERATIONS SOUTH OF PECH RIVER, PECH DISTRICT, KONAR PROVINCE, IOT DISRUPT ACM ACTIVITY. 3RD PLATOON REMAINS ON FOB SECURITY. CAAT A CONDUCTED A MOUNTED PATROL TO RE-SUPPLY 2ND PLATOON, WATAPOR DISTRICT, KONAR PROVINCE. CAAT B CONDUCTED AN EXTENSIVE PM OF THE VEHICLES AND ARE AWAITING KEVLAR BLANKETS. RECEIVED INFORMATION ABOUT A WEAPONS CACHE NEAR CHAPADARA.

FOX CO: AT 1215L, FOX COMPANY RESPONDED TO GUNSHOTS FIRED 300-400 METERS OUTSIDE THE FOB. WE ALERTED THE QRF AND EXECUTED A DIRECT ATTACK RESPONSE. THE ANA SENT A VEHICLE OUTSIDE THE WIRE TO THE VICINITY OF THE GUNSHOTS AND DETERMINED THE FOLLOWING: ANP HAD CONDUCTED A LOCAL PATROL THROUGH MEHTAR LAM. THEY STOPPED AT THE SHOOTERS HOUSE. THE SHOOTER THOUGHT THE ANP WERE CRIMINALS COMING TO ROB HIS HOUSE AS THE ANP WAS NOT IN A FULL UNIFORM. HE OPENED FIRE WITH 10 ROUNDS FROM A HAND GUN RESULTING IN FOX COMPANY EXECUTING OUR DIRECT ATTACK SOP AND ANA GOING TO THE SCENE. THE EVENT WAS DIFFUSED AFTER THE MISUNDERSTANDING WAS CLEARED UP. WE WILL WORK TO EMPHASIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF PROPER UNIFORM WEAR. FOX COMPANY COMPLETED SECOND DAY OF MAINTENANCE STAND DOWN IN ORDER TO PM VEHICLES, REVIEW SOP'S AND CONDUCT CMR RECONCILIATION. FOX 6 AND FOX 7 DEPARTED TO JAF IOT DROP OFF BFT CONTACT TEAM AND PICK UP MAIL. FOX L WAS STOOD DOWN FROM EXECUTING OPERATION CLEARWATER. OPERATION CLEARWATER WILL BE INCORPORATED INTO THE OPERATION CYCLE ON 1 AUGUST. FOX 1 WAS FOB GUARD AND FOX L WAS QRF.

GOLF CO: GOLF 1 DISCOVERED MARIJUANA GARDEN IN JALAL ABAD COMPOUND ENROUTE TO HISARAK DISTRICT, NANGARHAR. GOLF 1 CONFISCATED ILLEGAL PLANTS, TRANSPORTED TO ANP STATION AND MONITORED DESTRUCTION. GOLF 2 (-) CONDUCTED AREA RECON OF

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JAF/JBAD PRT ROCKET ATTACK POO SITE. CHAPARHAR DISTRICT, NANGARHAR PROVINCE. NDS CHIEF REPORTED INFO CONCERNING POO SITE TO GOLF 2. MORE INFO TO FOLLOW IN G2 SUMMARY OF ACTION. GOLF 3 COMPLETED CONTACT PATROL IN NAZAN DISTRICT, NANGARHAR PROVINCE. GOLF 3 DOCUMENTS WEAPONS CACHE AT NAZAN ANP STATION. GOLF 6/8 ATTEND MEETING WITH ANA 2D BRIGADE S-4 STAFF CONCERNING CLAIM FOR DAMAGED ARCHWAY. GOLF FOO PAYING AGENT ACQUIRES REQUIRED SUPPLIES IN JALAL ABAD CITY. GOLF 3 CONTINUES TO CONDUCT THEIR SECURITY PATROL TO THE SHINWAR, MUMAND DARA, DU BABA, AND NAZAN DISTRICT CENTERS, NANGARHAR PROVINCE IOT ALLOW CIVIL AFFAIRS, DEPARTMENT OF STATE REPRESENTATIVES, AND USAID TO CONDUCT ASSESSMENTS OF THE DISTRICTS. WHILE IN THE NAZAN DISTRICT, NANGARHAR PROVINCE THE ANP POLICE CHIEF TURNED OVER A UXO CACHE. TASK FORCE KOA IS COORDINATING THE MOVEMENT OF EOD TO THAT LOCATION.

WHISKEY CO: W CO- 1ST PLT CONDUCTED JOINT MOUNTED AND DISMOUNTED PATROLS IN JALAL ABAD DISTRICT, NANGARHAR PROVINCE. 3RD PLT CONDUCTED A MOUNTED PATROL ON THE JALAL ABAD-KABUL ROAD CHECKING THE VCPS ALONG THE ROAD, INVESTIGATED REPORTS THAT ONE OF THE VCPS HAD BEEN ATTACKED BY ACMS WHO WERE STILL IN THE AREA AND FOUND NO ACM ACTIVITY IN THE VICINITY OF THE INCIDENT. CONDUCTED SECURITY ASSESSMENTS ON SEVERAL OF THE POLLING SITES FOR THE UPCOMING ELECTIONS IN THE QARGHAYL DISTRICT, NANGARHAR PROVINCE. 4TH PLT CONDUCTED MOUNTED AND DISMOUNTED SECURITY PATROLS IN THE CITY OF JALAL ABAD IN ADDITION TO CONDUCTING SECURITY ASSESSMENTS ON SEVERAL OF THE POLLING SITES FOR THE UPCOMING ELECTIONS IN JALAL ABAD DISTRICT 2 AND 3.

4. ASSESSMENT OF LAST 24HRS. WHETHER INCORRECTLY DESCRIBED AS A LAW OR NOT, THE FIGHTERS IN ACHIN DISTRICT LIKELY HAVE RPGS IN THEIR INVENTORY AS WELL TO TAKE DOWN A HELICOPTER. ARABS DON'T NECESSARILY MEAN SUICIDE BOMBERS, THEY COULD BE HANDLERS OR TRAINERS.

5. ASSESSMENT OF MAJOR EVENTS OR FIGURES/ORGANIZATIONS AND HOW YOUR OPERATIONS IMPACT OR ARE IMPACTED BY THEM. REPORTING INDICATES THAT ACM IS STILL TRYING TO CAPITALIZE ON THE SUCCESS THEY HAD SHOOTING DOWN A CF HELICOPTER A MONTH AGO. THEY WILL MOST LIKELY CONTINUE TO TRY AND REPEAT THIS WITH LIMITED SUCCESS.

6. ASSESSMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND ATTITUDE OF THE POPULATION. NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGE NOTED IN ANY PROVINCE. AN INCREASE IN ACM ACTIVITY COULD SWAY PUBLIC OPINION EITHER WAY, AS IT MAY CAUSE DEATH OF LOCAL NATIONALS OR DESTRUCTION OF THEIR PROPERTY.

7. CURRENT OR FORECASTED CRITICAL SHORTFALLS AND WHAT ASSISTANCE IS NEEDED OR REQUESTED.

7. A. SUPPORT IS REQUESTED IOT IMPROVE THE OPERATIONAL REACH OF TF KOA ALONG THE PECH RIVER ROAD. THE PRTS AND TF KOA CONTINUE WORKING TOGETHER IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

- FORCE PROTECTION
- JINGLE TRUCK TRACKING
- IMPROVEMENTS TO THE ABAD TO BLESSING ROAD
- UPDATE TO THE PEACE PAPERS
- BFT COC HARD DRIVES CRASHED DURING ROLE NAME UPGRADES. THE PARTS ARE BEING SHIPPED FROM KUWAIT.
- BFT TEXT MESSAGING IS CONTINUOUSLY PROBLEMATIC ACROSS AO KOA. BFT REPS HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO RESOLVE THE ISSUES.

8. ASSESSMENT OF NEXT 24-96 HRS:

24 - (28 JUL 05): H&S WILL CONDUCT THEIR MEDCAP ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE JALAL ABAD AIRFIELD IOT ENGENDER LOCAL SUPPORT, GENERATE POSITIVE IO, AND DEVELOP INTELLIGENCE. FOX 3 WILL CONDUCT REHEARSALS AND MISSION PLANNING FOR OPERATION BOCA RATON TO BE EXECUTED FROM 29-31 JULY. FOX 5 WILL MEET WITH THE NEW ANA COMMANDER IOT TO ESTABLISH A WORKING RELATIONSHIP FOR IMPROVING

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THE ANA INVOLVEMENT IN FUTURE OPERATIONS. FOX L IS QRF AND FOX 1 IS FOB GUARD. FOR ECHO COMPANY 2ND PLATOON CONTINUES SECURITY PATROLS WITH ANA. 3RD PLATOON REMAINS ON FOB SECURITY. 2ND PLATOON PROVIDES A FORCE PROTECTION ELEMENT TO PRT. ECHO 6 WILL ATTEND THE WEEKLY SECURITY MEETING WITH THE GOVERNOR. ANP, ASF AND E5 WILL CONDUCT A MOUNTED PATROL IOT RECOVER A POSSIBLE WEAPONS CACHE IN CHAPADARA, KUNAR PROVINCE. THE CACHE WILL BE RECOVERED BY THE NANGALAM POLICE AND SUPERVISED BY E5. STA 1 WILL SUBMIT A CONOPS FOR A POSS ECONNAISSANCE PATROL IOT CONDUCT SURVEILLANCE ON AN INDIVIDUAL NAMED (b) (6) WHO WORKS FOR THE DIS ER AND IS BELIEVED TO BE VERY CORRUPT I INGS WITH ACM FORCES. (b) (6) WILL TURN-IN ANOTHER WEAPONS CACHE THAT HIS BROTHER IS CURRENTLY B WEN FROM THE MOUNTAINS. GOLF 1 WILL CONDUCT ELECTION POLLING SITE ASSESSMENTS IN HISARAK, KUNAR PROVINCE. GOLF 2 (-) WILL CONDUCT AAR, INTEL DEBRIEF AND ESCORT MOTOR TRANSPORT CONTACT TEAM TO GOLF 1. GOLF 3 WILL CONDUCT AAR, INTELLIGENCE DEBRIEF AN ON. GOLF 6 WILL ATTEND AO SYNC MEETING, AND MEET WITH (b) (6). WEAPONS COMPANY 1ST PLT WILL CONTINUE TO CONDUCT MO PATROLS IN THE JALAL ABAD DISTRICT. 3RD PLT WILL CONDUCT JOINT MOUNTED AND DISMOUNTED PATROLS IN QARGHAYL DISTRICT, NANGARHAR PROVINCE IN ADDITION TO CONDUCTING POLLING SITE ASSESSMENTS IN THE DISTRICT. 4TH PLT WILL CONDUCT JOINT MOUNTED AND DISMOUNTED PATROLS IN THE CITY OF JALAL ABAD IN ADDITION TO CONDUCTING POLLING SITE ASSESSMENTS IN JALAL ABAD DISTRICT 4 AND 5.

48 - (29 JUL 05): H&S CONTINUES THEIR SECURITY MISSION WITH LOCAL PATROLS IOT SECURE THE AREA AROUND JALAL ABAD AIR FIELD WHILE CONTINUING FORCE PROTECTION IMPROVEMENTS TO THE FOB. FOX COMPANY BEGINS OPERATION BOCA RATON IN THE ALISHANG VALLEY, LAGHMAN PROVINCE. WHISKEY, ECHO AND GOLF COMPANIES CONDUCT SECURITY AND RECONNAISSANCE PATROLS IN THE VICINITY OF THE POLLING SITES WITHIN THEIR BATTLESPACES' IOT GATHER INTELLIGENCE ON ENEMY THREATS TO THE POLLING SITES. ECHO CO CONTINUES COMBINED PATROLLING OPERATIONS VIC KORENGAL VALLEY IOT DISRUPT ACM ACTIVITY, ADDITIONALLY THEY WILL CONTINUE TO INVESTIGATE THE IED INCIDENT IOT DEVELOP THE INTELLIGENCE PICTURE. KOA STAFF CONTINUES PLANNING FOR FUTURE OPERATIONS. BATTALION SUPPORTS MCS-LIGHT AND BFT UPGRADES AT ALL FOBS (PENDING REPAIR PARTS).

72 - (30 JUL 05): GOLF, WHISKEY, AND ECHO COMPANIES CONTINUE PATROLS IN ORDER TO SUPPORT BATTALION ISR PLAN IOT PROVIDE INFORMATION FOR THE PLANNING OF POLLING SITE SECURITY. ECHO CO CONTINUES COMBINED PATROLLING OPERATIONS VIC KORENGAL VALLEY IOT DISRUPT ACM ACTIVITY. KOA STAFF CONTINUES PLANNING FOR FUTURE OPERATIONS. BATTALION CONCLUDES MCS-LIGHT AND BFT UPGRADES AT ALL THE FOBS (PENDING REPAIR PARTS).

96 - (31 JUL 05): ALL COMPANIES CONTINUE PATROLS IN ORDER TO SUPPORT BATTALION ISR PLAN IOT PROVIDE INFORMATION FOR THE PLANNING OF POLLING SITE SECURITY. ECHO CO CONTINUES COMBINED PATROLLING OPERATIONS VIC KORENGAL VALLEY IOT DISRUPT ACM ACTIVITY. KOA STAFF CONTINUES PLANNING FOR FUTURE OPERATIONS.

FUTURE: CONTINUE TO DEVELOP INTELLIGENCE PICTURE ON AREAS NORTH AND WEST OF THE CONFLUENCE OF THE PECH AND KUNAR RIVERS IOT TO SUPPORT FUTURE BATTALION OPERATIONS. THIS WILL GO CONCURRENTLY WITH THE COMPANY'S RECONNAISSANCE OF THE POLLING STATIONS, CONSTRUCTION OF PCCS AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF ELECTION SECURITY PLANS. THE BATTALION WILL PROVIDE A BACK BRIEF ON CACHE RECOVERY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION DETERMINED HARVEST AND HAS ALREADY BEGUN RECOVERY OPERATIONS.

INFORMATION OPERATIONS/PEACE PAPERS: REQUEST UPDATED ISSUES OF THE PEACE PAPERS.

9. ANA: 1/1/201 KANDAK: HHC, 2ND CO & WPNS CO PROVIDED FORCE PROTECTION AT ABAD AND CONDUCTED MULTIPLE PATROLS TO GATHER INTELLIGENCE, AND CONDUCT COMBINED PATROLS WITH 2/3 MARINES.

3RD CO PROVIDED FORCE PROTECTION AND QRF FOR JBAD AND GUARDS DDR HEAVY WEAPONS CANTONMENT AREA, PATROL WITH 2/3 MARINES. 1ST PROVIDED FORCE PROTECTION NARAI.

10. **PERSONNEL:**
(62 OF THE 1053 REPORTED ARE U.S. ARMY ATTACHMENTS)

| OFFICER | ENLISTED | TOTAL |
|---------|----------|-------|
| 59 | 992 | 1053 |

11. **COMMANDER'S COMMENTS:**

DIPLOMATIC: KOA 6 COORDINATED FOR A MEETING WITH THE NDS CHIEF AND ODA REPS FOR KONAR. NDS CHIEF FOR KONAR WAS UNAVAILABLE; HOWEVER THE DEPUTY NDS CHIEF FOR KONAR AND THE ODA REP THAT MENTORS NDS MET WITH KOA 6 AND ECHO 6 ON 27 JUL 05. KOA 6 REQUESTED NDS AND OGA SUPPORT TO LOCATE AND DESTROY ACM ELEMENTS. TF KOA WILL CONTINUE TO WORK WITH GOV WAFA'S STAFF IN ORDER TO SET AN APPOINTMENT WITH GOV WAFFA WHEN HE TRANSITS THROUGH JALAL ABAD WHEN RETURNING FROM KABUL. THERE WILL BE A COORDINATION MEETING AT THE PRT BETWEEN COALITION FORCES AND THE HEADS OF ALL AGENCIES INVOLVED IN ROADSIDE CHECKPOINTS FOR DECONFLICTION AND THE WAY AHEAD IOT FIX THE FUEL TRUCK SITUATION IN THE PROVINCE WITH THE CHIEF OF BORDER POLICE FOR AFGHANISTAN.

: ESTS AN OPERATIONAL LEVEL IO CAMPAIGN PLAN AGAINST (b) (6) ACTIVITIES CLEARLY PAINT AN ENEMY THAT IS FLEXIBLE ON ANY SUCCESSFUL ITIES. UNDER THE EXISTING IO FRAGO, TF KOA IS UNABLE TO MITIGATE (b) (6) IO CAMPAIGN PLAN. REQUEST TF DEVIL IO PROVIDE WAY AHEAD (b) (6) ST FOR AN OPERATIONAL LEVEL INFORMATION OPERATIONS CAMPAIGN BASED ON OPEN SOURCE REPORTING CONCERNING GUANTANAMO BAY AND THE DETENTION OF ENEMY COMBATANTS. REPORTING IN THE TAOR INDICATES THAT ACM ACTIVITIES MAY INCLUDE RIOTS, DEMONSTRATIONS, AND CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE USING GUANTANAMO BAY AS A "REASON". IT WILL BE BENEFICIAL FOR THE TF TO MOVE OUT AHEAD OF THOSE ACTIONS BY HAVING A COHESIVE INFORMATION CAMPAIGN PLAN.

MILITARY: ASAD ABAD PRT CDR AND ECHO CO WILL SUPPORT THE 35TH KANDAKS EFFORTS TO MOVE WEAPON'S CO, 35TH KANDAK TO CAMP BLESSING AND ONE PLATOON FROM 2ND COMPANY (ON A ROTATING BASIS) TO CAMP WRIGHT IOT FACILITATE COMBINED OPERATIONS. FOX CO WILL COMMENCE PATROLLING OPERATIONS IN THE ALISHANG VALLEY IN THE NEXT 24 HOURS. GOLF AND WHISKEY COMPANIES CONTINUE TO PATROL IN NANGARHAR IOT DEVELOP THE ANA AND ANP'S CAPABILITIES WHILE FOCUSING ON THE DISRUPTION OF ILLEGAL VCPs ALONG HIGHWAY A1.

ECONOMIC: NSTR.

12. **OPERATIONAL REMINDER:** THE INTELLIGENCE GLEANED FROM YOUR POLLING STATION ASSESSMENTS WILL DRIVE HOW WE POSITION THE BATTALION. WE VALUE YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS VERY HIGHLY. THIS IS CALLED INTELLIGENCE PULL - WHEN HIGHER'S CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS ARE DRIVEN BY THE INTELLIGENCE GATHERED BY THOSE ON THE GROUND. THIS IS A FUNDAMENTAL TENET OF MANEUVER WARFARE.